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Applicant : Daniel L. Fleming et al.

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ADHESIVE ARTICLES

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 24, 2003

In response to the Office Action of July 24, 2003, Applicant submits the following remarks. The date for response is extended from October 24, 2003 to November 24, 2003 by the attached Petition for a One Month Extension of Time and a check for the required extension fee of \$110.

**REMARKS**

In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request further consideration of the application and reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action mailed July 24, 2003.

**I. The Invention**

Prior to application to a substrate, pre-mask or pre-space tapes may be used to protect a graphic article, aid in handling the graphic article, or to transfer cut graphics from the liner into proper registration with the substrate. If the graphics are cut and a portion of the surrounding un-

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